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Examiner : Patricia Leith

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Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Sir,

This Amendment is filed in reply to the Office Action having a mailing date of February 14, 2006. A request for a three month extension of time to extend the time for response from May 14, 2006 to August 14, 2006 is being submitted herewith, along with the requisite fee. Please debit any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

As set forth more fully below, reexamination and reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks are respectfully requested.